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C O N F I D E N T I A L ROME 6751

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, TU, IT

SUBJECT: SALE OF FOUR ADDITIONAL F-104S AIRCRAFT TO TURKEY

REFS: A) STATE 026973 (NOTAL); B) STATE 077479 (NOTAL)

1. TOP MILITARY OFFICIAL OF THE ITALIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE HAS INFORMED THE CHIEF MAAG THAT NEGOTIATIONS HAVE NOW BEEN COMPLETED AND AGREEMENTS SIGNED FOR THE SALE OF THE SECOND GROUP OF 18 F-104S AIRCRAFT PLUS FOUR ADDITIONAL AIRCRAFT AS "SPARES AND ATTRITION".

2. USG APPROVAL OF THIS SECOND GROUP OF 18 WAS GRANTED (SEE REF A) PRIOR TO CONGRESSIONAL ACTION TO CUT OFF MILITARY SALES AND ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY. CONDITIONS DESCRIBED IN REF B. WOULD, HOWEVER, SEEM TO PRECLUDE SALE OF THE ADDITIONAL FOUR "SPARE AND ATTRITION" AIRCRAFT WHILE PRESENT EMBARGO IN FORCE. WHILE MISSION WOULD PREFER TO BE IN POSITION TO OFFER SOME VAGUE ENCOURAGEMENT TO ITALIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, WE RECOGNIZE THAT THIS IS PROBABLY NOT POSSIBLE UNDER CURRENT GUIDELINES. REQUEST  
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DEPARTMENT CONFIRM OUR INTERPRETATION OF REF B.VOLPE

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